

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-25 remain in the application for consideration of the Examiner.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections are respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-6, 12-15, and 18-23 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Application 09/229,945; and Claims 7-9 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over co-pending application 09/229,945.

These rejections are respectfully traversed.

It is respectfully submitted that application 09/229,945 is no longer pending and consequently this rejection is inappropriate.

Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 10, 11, 16, 17, 24, and 25 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all the claims of the instant application are now allowable.

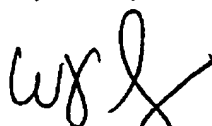
In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is

respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

Respectfully submitted,



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